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LOCAL NEWS.

—Court next Monday.
—Attend the convention Saturday.
—Rev. Parker will preach next Sunday at 11 o'clock.
—Isn't it time for the S. S.'s to organize in Boone and get to work?
—Miss Bettie Coffey will open school in Boone the Monday after court.
—Bro. Scott, of the Topic, will be on hand at court. See his notice elsewhere.
—The wife of Wm. Hodges, died at her home on Baird's Creek, a few days ago.
—Services at the Methodist church next Sunday night, conducted by Rev. R. P. Pell.
—The showery weather for some days past, has thrown farm work considerably behind in Watauga.
—Dr. L. C. Reeves is now pushing the work on his new store building, in the east end of town.
—Lost, strayed, or stolen, the editor of the Watauga DEMOCRAT. We miss his presence very much.
Mr. B. J. Council and cousin, Miss Jennie Council, have returned from a visit to Elk Park and Johnson City.
—Next Saturday is the day, don't forget it, for the convention in Boone. Let each township be well represented.
—On the 17th inst. near Osborne, Ashe county, Ed. Arrindell shot and killed Will Roark. Liquor the cause.
—Watauga court next week. We hope our friends will remember the DEMOCRAT, and bring an extra dollar with them.
—Hon. W. H. Bower will deliver a political speech in the court house in Boone, on Monday, next, at 12, m. Let all democrats be present and hear him.
—Among other things done at the howling radical State convention, E. Spencer Blackburn was elected Elector at large for the State. A wise selection. (?)
—J. D. Council is the champion fisherman so far this spring. The largest mountain trout caught by him being 15 1/2 inches long and weighed 19 1/2 ounces.
—Strange, nearly all the parties who were bound over to the Federal Court at Statesville came clear wasn't it? No, not much, when you think what a short while it is until the election. "There is policy in war."
—Prof. J. W. Ratcliffe, who is well known at Elk Park, and in some parts of Watauga as a willing school teacher, committed suicide at

Blue Grass, Va. the 16th, inst. His self-destruction was attributed to drink and family troubles.
—Shff. Baird passed through town Tuesday, with Larkin Ray, (insane) on his way to the Asylum at Morganton. Uncle Larkin has has again become unruly, but we hope the treatment he will receive at the Asylum will soon restore him to his natural self again.
—Mrs. D. F. Baird, son and daughter, while on a visit to Caldwell this week, had the misfortune to let the team they were driving run away with them, over turning the hack and doing much damage to the same; but fortunately doing no harm to the inmates, or, at least, no serious harm.
Call for Democratic Convention.
The democrats of Watauga county are hereby called to meet in convention at the court house in Boone, on the 30th inst. at 11, a. m., for the purpose of organizing and to elect delegates to the State Convention. I most earnestly request that all the townships in the county be represented, and that a full delegation be on hand.
J. F. SPAINHOUR,
Chm. Dem. Ex. Com.
Boone, April 18, 1892.
THE LENOIR TOPIC!
I shall be at Boone court in the interest of THE TOPIC and hope to bring back to Lenoir a long list of subscribers. The TOPIC has many friends in Watauga and we hope its subscription list will be lengthened next week. The first duty of every citizen of Watauga is to subscribe for the Watauga Democrat, which ought to be the pride of the county, for there are few better papers. Having done that duty, I would advise him to take THE TOPIC. W. W. SCOTT, JR.
Auction sale of North Wilkesboro town lots, May 11, 1892, sale commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m. Property in all parts of the town will be sold, including the Co's most choice business and residence lots. There never has been presented such an opportunity to buy choice property in the liveat and most progressive town of its age in the State. Special rates from Charlotte, Salisbury, Statesville, Asheville, Greensboro, Raleigh, Danville, Winston, Fayetteville, Wilmington, and all intermediate points. Round trip tickets on sale at all points from the 9th to 14th inclusive. Terms of sale, one-third spot-cash and balance in one and two years, with 6 per cent interest. Parties purchasing lots will have rail-road fare refunded. Remember the day, Wednesday, May 11th, 1892. Parties coming by railroad should come on evening train May 10th, 1892. Ample hotel accommodations. Come one come all!
W. O. Beckenbaugh, of Baltimore, Md., auctioneer.
After suffering horribly for years from Scrofula in its worst form, a young son of Mr. B. L. King, 706 Franklin st., Richmond, Va., was recently cured by the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. No other medicine can approach this preparation as a cleanser of the blood.
Quite a noticeable case was ended at Yanceyville last week. Miss Juanita Murray of Burlington, brought suit against a man by the name of Hayes, for defamation of her character. Much interest has been manifested in the case. Hayes was found guilty and Miss Murray's character remains spotless. Hayes had all the costs to pay, including five hundred dollars for the lady, amounting in all to fifteen hundred dollars.

Blowing Rock Breeze.
Since my last, the death angel has cast the shadow of his sable wings over two homes in our vicinity. One infant of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Coffey died early Sunday morning, and the wife of Mr. J. F. Coffey, of this place, died yesterday evening, after a painful illness of several weeks. Mrs. Coffey was a kind and obliging neighbor and a devoted wife and mother, and leaves a host of friends to mourn, with the stricken father and children, her sad death.
In the midst of our mourning, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Edmisten called upon us to rejoice with them, over the birth of another fine boy at their house. The little stranger arrived about 10 o'clock last night, and he and his mother are doing well. He tipped the scales at 11 lbs.
At a meeting of the citizens, held last night, the following gentlemen were unanimously chosen, as a municipal ticket, to manage our "city" for the ensuing year: J. B. Clarke, Mayor, and I. N. Corpening, W. H. Edmisten, and John C. Curtis, Commissioners. The gentlemen nominated are all thoroughly imbued with the spirit of progress and improvement, and our people are to be congratulated on the selection.
The first guests, of the season, arrived last week, Mr. and Mrs. Hollowell, and are occupying Dr. Carter's cottage on Wallingford Avenue. The spirit of improvement seems to have taken hold of our people in earnest and judging from the piles of lumber lying around a good deal of building is in contemplation. New fences are in order on all sides. J. B. Clarke, H. C. Martin and N. L. Edmisten are putting new fences around their premises, which add greatly to the appearance of things.
Through the efforts of our worthy postmaster, Dr. Carter, our postoffice has recently been made a money-order office, which is a great convenience to our people.
I was glad to see Rev. Mr. Vestal, of the Watauga Circuit, in our village a few days ago. He came for the purpose of making arrangements to hold services here and announced that he would preach for us next Sunday night. He is a young gentleman of ability, and says the Methodist brethren will go to work actively here and he hopes soon to secure a lot and build a church.
F.
April 26th, '92.
A Thriving North Carolina Town.
Little more than a year ago, North Wilkesboro, N. C., was unborn, and its site a beautiful rolling upland farm. Now it is a smart town of about 400 people, with numerous brick stores, a bank, an excellent weekly newspaper, graded streets, sidewalks and an assured prosperous future. North Wilkesboro with her great commercial advantages is undoubtedly destined to become the largest and most prosperous town in all north-western North Carolina. Numerous residences, a large academy, bridge across Yadkin River, foundry, gash and blind factory now being built. Don't miss an opportunity to make money, but go to the big auction sale of town lots at North Wilkesboro, May 11, '92. Reduced rates on all rail roads from 9th to 14th of May inclusive. Terms of sale, one-third spot cash, and balance in one and two years with 6 per cent interest.
Col. W. O. Beckenbaugh, of Baltimore, Md., auctioneer.

From Zionville, N. C.
Editor Democrat:
Our village is in mourning on account of the death of Mrs. Callie Forester (nee Stone) who died at her father's home on the 10th of this month. The funeral services were conducted by the pastor of Zionville church, on the 12th, A. M. in presence of a large crowd of weeping friends. On the 16th inst., the funeral of Miss Alice Larmer, the sister of Dr. Larmer of Trade, Tenn., was preached at the same place. Miss Alice died on the morning of the 15th, inst. She was a noble christian woman, of 18 years of age. Truly we have lost two noble women. The last words that Miss Larmer was heard to say were, "I see the angels." Some sneak thief on last Sunday night entered the house of Hiram Eggers, near Trade, Tenn., and stole Egger's money, some more than \$100. The thief stole Egger's pants from his bedside—sick—took them into the yard and emptied the pockets of the money and left the pants. No trace of the thief yet.
The health of our people is better than it has been for some time. Our farmers are preparing for larger crops of corn than usual.
I think that all the citizens of our county should take the DEMOCRAT, whether they agree with its politics or not. Our county paper helps materially to develop the interests of our country.
Times are hard; maybe we can bridge over to better times. I do not attribute the hard times to either political party, for often hard times are caused by circumstances which neither party can control; but now you see I have said something that don't agree with what politicians say, and I will quit.
E. F. JONES.
April 16th, '92.
North Carolina at the Columbian Exposition.
"The Tar-heels of North Carolina are resolved not to be forgotten at the World's Fair. They are going to have a genuine typical tar kiln to represent the most characteristic industry of the "Old North State." Wonder if it will be located in the midway plaisance?"
The above is from the Jacksonville (Fla.) Times Union. Making tar pitch and turpentine may have been a characteristic industry at one time, but it is far from being the case now. Its tar business is almost a thing of the past. No State has more products than North Carolina. It is rich in undeveloped resources, and is fast taking the lead among the foremost States in the union.
Oh no, North Carolina will exhibit light enough at the World's Fair without the tar kiln. The writer will not accuse the paper of ignorance, but it is certainly far behind the times, or has been in a Rip Van Winkle sleep, and knows but little about what it is talking.
X.
Boone, N. C.
There are Sarsaparillas and Sarsaparillas; but if you are not careful in your purchase, the disease you wish to cure will only be intensified. Be sure you get Ayer's Sarsaparilla and no other. It is compounded from the Homœopathic root and other highly concentrated alterative.

NOTICE.

Whereas at a sale of real estate for taxes made by J. L. Hayes, Shff. of Watauga county at the court house door in Boone, N. C. on the 5th day of May, 1890, the undersigned became the last and best bidder for the lands as follows: One tract listed in the name of Baker and co., on the waters of stringer's Fork, bald mountain township and adjoining the lands of E. N. Miller, brown and others, contains 295 acres more or less. This notice is for Baker and co., to come forward and make settlement and show cause, if any, before the 5th day of May, '92 and show cause, if any, why the Sheriff, aforesaid, shall not make me a deed to the same as the law in such cases provides.

E. B. MILLER.
April 7th '92.

NOTICE.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of Watauga county made at fall term, 1891, I as commissioner appointed at said term will sell for cash at the court house door in Boone on the 2nd day of May, 1892, it being Monday of Spring Term of said court, to the highest bidder a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Laurel Creek township, said county, adjoining the lands of Isaac Eggers and others to satisfy three bills of cost against J. E. Lunsford, wherein the State is plaintiff and J. E. and Elizabeth Lunsford defendants, which said land was mortgaged by the said J. E. and Elizabeth Lunsford for the personal appearance of said J. E. Lunsford at Fall Term 1889. For a more particular description of the land see mortgage on file in the Clerk's office. This the 8th day of March 1892.

D. F. BAIRD, Com.

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whereas at a sale of real estate for taxes made by J. L. Hayes, shff. of watauga county at the court house door in Boone N. C., on the 5th day of May, 1890, the undersigned became the last best bidder for the lands viz: one tract listed in the name of P. W. Turnmire on the waters of New river, blue ridge township, containing 25 acres more or less. Another tract lying in Laurel creek township on the waters of watauga river listed in the name of J. E. Lunsford. Also another tract sold by J. L. Hayes shff. of watauga county May 4, 1891 listed in the name of J. M. C. Davis, lying in bald mountain township containing 39 acres more or less. Also one other tract sold May 4, 1891 lying in watauga township listed in the name of Joseph Campbell containing 25 acres more or less. This notice is for the above named parties to come forward and make settlement and show cause why the Sheriff aforesaid shall not make me deeds to the same as the law provides in such cases.

W. L. BRYAN.
April 18, '92.

ATTENTION, BUYERS!

We wish to call attention to our line of second-hand

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They are almost good as new, and persons wishing to buy can secure bargains by calling on us. We have a big lot of NEW

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HENKEL, CRAIG & CO.
Lenoir, N. C.

Respectfully,
W. L. BRYAN.

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